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1. The radio station was northeast of MINSK (27°34'E/
53°54'N), White Russian SSR, between the road and rail-
road line to BORIS OV, near the railroad station of
KOLODICHIL.
 - a. The area of the station was 1,350 x 850 feet (see
Annex).
 - b. The two 675-foot steel radio towers were 550 feet apart.
 - c. The four-story transmitting station was 115 x 85 feet.
 - d. Two wooden radio towers were each 350 feet high.
 - e. There was an administration building and guardhouse
at the entrance.
 - f. The short-wave transmitter formerly operated by the
German Armed Forces was not in use.
 - g. There were two cooling water reservoirs near the
transmitting station.
 - h. The construction work was supervised by the MOSCOW
Spetsstroi 74 Enterprise (Special Construction Enterprise)

In addition: 3 engineers, 10 women, and 10 men.

k. Operations: The transmitting installation (steel
towers) was put into operation on the 1570 meter wave in
1947. Before then broadcasting had been done by means

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of the wooden towers on the 1,100 meter wave. After construction of the steel towers the wooden towers were used only for broadcasts within white Russia.

1. The radio station was allegedly assigned to the Ministry for Electricity and Traffic in MOSCOW. It was guarded by the MVD.
2. The radio receiving station of PRILUKI was southwest of MINSK on a destroyed estate which previously belonged to a Polish count.
 - a. This station had several 100-foot iron masts, a brick building (135 x 50 feet) housing the technical equipment, and a dwelling house.
 - b. The station was assigned to the Ministry for Electricity and Traffic in MOSCOW.

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Comments:

- a. The existence of the KOLODICHI-PRILUKI transmitter and receiver has been known since the German occupation of this region during World War II. The date of the report are considered credible. A former German soldiers' broadcasting station Urcula, it was an important navigational aid to aircraft operating on the BERLIN-WARSAW-SOBIENSK line.
- b. It may be assumed that this station has the same navigational importance as during the German occupation.
- c. The names of the mentioned Soviet personnel are unknown, but may be considered as confirmed since they were reported by various sources.

1 Annex: Radio Station of MINSK-KOLODICHI.

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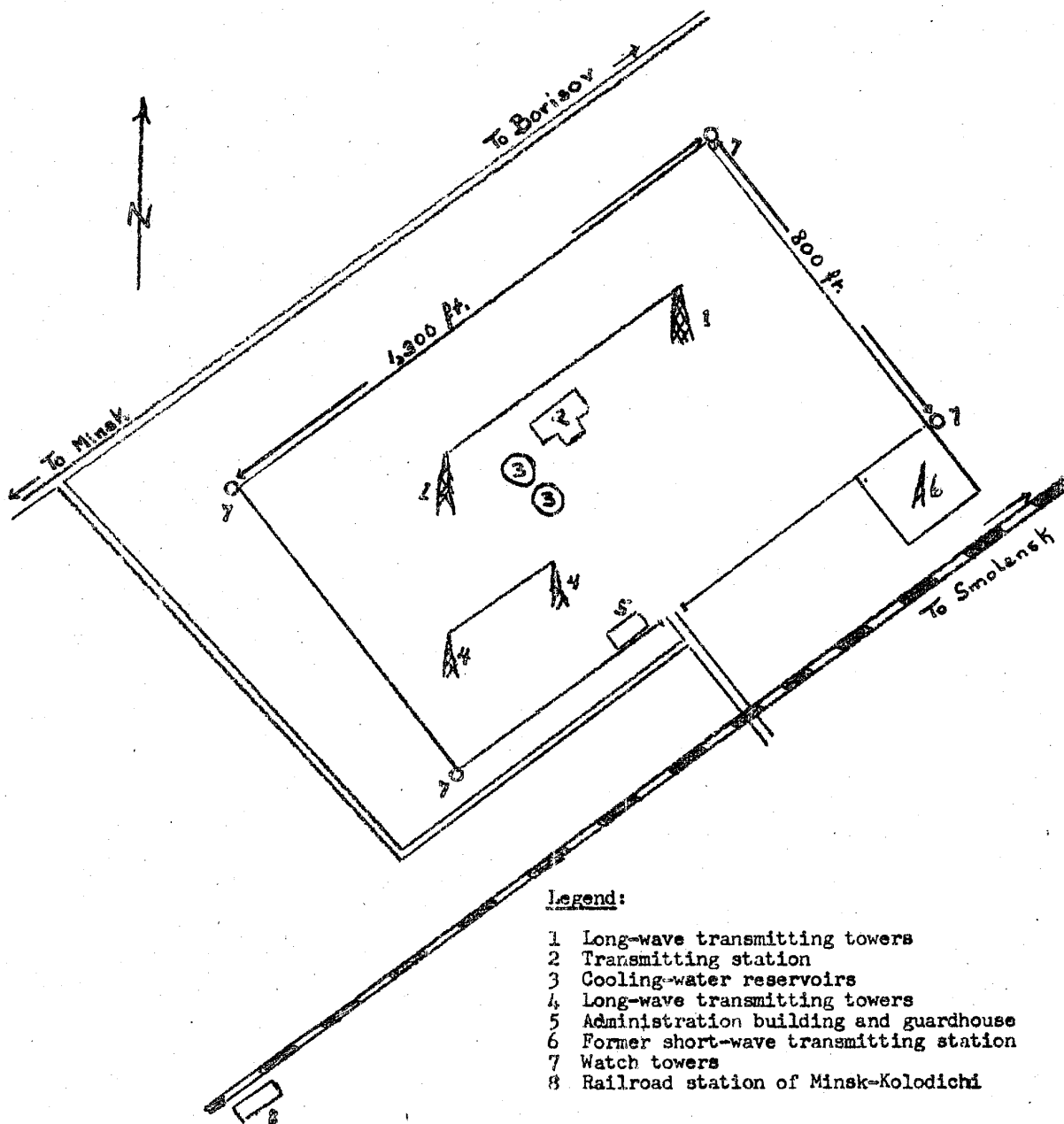
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Radio Station of Minsk-Kolodichi



Legend:

- 1 Long-wave transmitting towers
- 2 Transmitting station
- 3 Cooling-water reservoirs
- 4 Long-wave transmitting towers
- 5 Administration building and guardhouse
- 6 Former short-wave transmitting station
- 7 Watch towers
- 8 Railroad station of Minsk-Kolodichi

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